

Education Grants

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- 1** The National High School Journalism Teacher of the Year Program, sponsored by Dow Jones Newspaper Fund Inc. www.newsfund.org/uploads/2011TOYform.pdf

Ongoing

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- 1** American Honda Foundation Grant <http://corporate.honda.com/america/>

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Ongoing

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Olympus America/Tool Factory Podcasting Contest www.toolfactory.com/olympus_contest/

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- 30** Captain Planet Foundation Grants www.captainplanetfdn.org

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1 Toshiba Small Grants Program
(for K-5)
www.toshiba.com/taf/

14 Lowe's Toolbox for Education*
www.toolboxforeducation.com

15 Shell Science Teaching Award
www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx
NEA Foundation Sponsored Grants
• Student Achievement Grants
• Learning & Leadership Grants
www.nfie.org

22 Scholastic Library Publishing
National Library Week Grant
www.ala.org

1 American Honda Foundation Grant
<http://corporate.honda.com/america/>

The International Reading
Association Regie Routman
Teacher Recognition Grant
www.reading.org

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The International Reading Awards
• Eleanor M. Johnson Elementary
Teacher Award
• IRA Award for Technology
and Reading
www.reading.org

30 NSTA Awards
• Vernier Technology Awards
• Sylvia Shugrue Award for
Elementary School Teachers
• Robert H. Carleton Award for
National Leadership in the Field of
Science Education
• DCAT "Making a
Difference" Award
• The Delta Education/Frey-
Neo/CPO Science Awards for
Excellence in Inquiry-based
Science Teaching
• Maitland P. Simmons Memorial
Award for New Teachers
• Distinguished Teaching Awards
• Ron Mardigian Memorial
Biotechnology Explorer Award
• Wendell G. Mohling Outstanding
Aerospace Educator Award
• Zula International-NSTA Early
Science Educator Awards
www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx

1 SeaWorld & Busch Gardens
Environmental Excellence Awards
www.seaworld.org

SeaWorld Parks and Entertainment
Environmental Educator of the Year
www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx

• Pitsco/Hearlihy/FTE Grant
• Maley /FTEE Technology and
Engineering Teacher Scholarship
www.iteea.org

3M Professional
Development Grant*
www.ala.org

Association for Library Service
to Children's (ALSC) Awards

• Maureen Hayes
Author/Illustrator Award
• BWI Summer Reading
Program Grant
• Bookapalooza Program
• Penguin Young Readers
Group Award
• Distinguished Service Award
www.ala.org

National Schools of Character
Program, sponsored by the
Character Education*
www.character.org

31 Captain Planet Foundation Grants
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18 The International Reading Association Teacher as Researcher Grants*
www.reading.org

31 Toyota Family Literacy Teacher of the Year*
www.familit.org

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• Student Achievement Grants
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www.nfie.org

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www.toshiba.com/taf/

2 Toshiba and the National Science Teachers Association's ExploraVision competition*
www.exploravision.org

7 Innovative Reading Grant*
www.ala.org

16 Lowe's Toolbox for Education*
www.toolboxforeducation.com

24 Intel Schools of Distinction*
www.intel.com/education/schoolsofdistinction

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1 National Endowment for the Humanities' Summer Seminars & Institutes Program*
www.neh.gov

International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)

- Outstanding Young Educator Award*
- Kay L. Bitter Vision Award for Excellence in Technology-Based Pre-K-2 Education*
- Outstanding Teacher/Leader Awards*
- Sylvia Chapp Award for District Innovation in Technology*

• ISTE Public Policy Advocate of the Year Award* www.iste.org

• ISTE SIGMS Technology Innovation Award*
www.iste.org

ISTE/SIGOL Online Learning Award*
www.globalschoolnet.org

3 Toyota TAPESTRY Grants*
www.nsta.org/pd/tapestry

15 Ezra Jack Keats Foundation Mini-Grants
www.ezra-jack-keats.org
(Click on Programs)

31 Captain Planet Foundation Grants
www.captainplanetfdn.org
The Tech Awards program*
www.techawards.org

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22 Lemelson-MIT Program's InvenTeam Grants*
<http://web.mit.edu/inventeams>

30 ING Unsung Heroes Awards*
www.ing.com/us/unsungheroes

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13 Sanford N. McDonnell Award for Lifetime Achievement in Character Education*
www.character.org

18 Dollar General Back to School Literacy Grants*
www.dollargeneral.com
(Serving Others link)

18 Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants*
www.dollargeneral.com
(Serving Others link)

30 Target Local Store Grants
www.target.com
(Community link)

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www.reading.org
Learning & Leadership Grants, sponsored by the NEA Foundation
www.nfie.org

Student Achievement Grants, sponsored by the NEA Foundation
www.nfie.org

NWA's Sol Hirsch Education Fund Grants*
www.nwas.org/grants/solhirsch.php

15 Gale/Library Media Connection TEAMS Award*
www.galeschools.com/TEAMS
Invent America! Student Contest
www.inventamerica.org

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Make Every Grant a Money Maker

Writing Tips from
Tech & Learning

Edit it.

Editing is really the heart of the writing process. This is where you are able to clarify and tighten your narrative into a compelling proposal. A common saying among writers is that writing is rewriting. There is no good writing, only good re-writing. Great writers do this instinctively. For the rest of us, we need to practice.

Plan ahead.

This will give you the opportunity to re-write. There is nothing like the luxury of time near the end of the grant writing process. Sleep on it. Wait two days to begin the editing process. Going at this with a clear mind will help you find what works and what doesn't work in your proposal. What seemed logical at the time of writing will now stand out. As you begin to edit, remember that this is the time to cut, not add. Most of us are too wordy in our writing. Use this time to get to the heart of what you are trying to say. Sure you will need to add a word here and there, but for the most part you should be trying to be as concise as possible.

Don't go it alone.

Your proposal will no doubt have been word processed, so take advantage of the spelling and grammar checking capabilities. Make sure that the finished copy and appearance have numbered pages, headings, and clean margins. After you have simplified, spell-checked and generally cleaned up the final look, share the document with colleagues and ask for their insights and reactions. Particularly ask for their comments about clarity and content.

Keep it Short, Exact, Specific and Buzzfree

By Gary Carnow from
Tech & Learning

- Short sentences and short paragraphs are easier to read and understand. For example, instead of currently, try now; instead of initiate, start. Using short words and short sentences keeps your writing crisp and compact.
- Using the active voice over the passive voice makes for a stronger proposal. Active verbs add energy and the active voice reveals who is speaking and taking action. The passive voice hides who is speaking and comes off as the voice of an institution speaking.
- Avoid vague words and phrasings; instead go for accurate and exact. That doesn't mean that you cut all adjectives and adverbs, it means that you sharpen them to make your point.
- Avoid educational jargon and the latest buzzwords. Use a down-to-earth word that says the same thing as the latest fad word. For example, instead of "interfacing with your colleagues," perhaps you will "meet and discuss." Clear and direct language always wins out over long-winded and heavy-handed.
- The fatal flaw of unfunded grant proposals is the use of generalities. Be specific. Don't leave the grant reader guessing at what you mean. Take time to synthesize what you want to say and express it confidently in declarative sentences.
- Grant writing is not lawyer writing. Write like you talk. Don't worry if it sounds too informal. You can adjust the tone in a rewrite.

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